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WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE CHIEF CITIES OF EUROPE

GIFT BY MORGAN
NOT FORUM RUINSAntiquary Says There's
Nothing Missing From
Rome.

ROME, March 9.—There is some doubt expressed here as to the five so-called fragments of Trajan's Forum that have been presented to the Metropolitan Museum, New York, by J. Pierpont Morgan.

Commendatore Boni, the noted expert in Roman antiquities, says he is unable to say whether Mr. Morgan's fragments are really part of Trajan's Forum until he can see photographs of them. Certainly nothing is missing from the enclosed part of the forum, nor from the collections of fragments in the Vatican and Lateran museums.

If the fragments in New York are genuine, they have been dug up from other parts of the forum which are enclosed and have never been thoroughly excavated. In any case, it is considered remarkable that pieces of the monument have reached New York in face of the stringent Italian law against the export of art treasures.

Some mystery, however, surrounds the great Albani collection, which is known to have contained some architectural specimens from Trajan's Forum. Since its looting by Napoleon this collection has been so jealously guarded that its contents are now known to no one but the officials. Possibly Mr. Morgan by the lavish use of money and influence may have induced these officials to part with the five fragments. At any rate, no one seems to know whether the Albani fragments are still in Rome or not.

KAISER INDULGES
NEW EXTRAVAGANCESNote Paper and Envelopes Cost \$1.50
for Each Set.

BERLIN, March 9.—Though trying to cut down his personal expenses as much as possible, in an effort to make his budget balance, the Kaiser has added a new extravagance to his many others and now writes his letters on the most costly and gorgeous paper used by any European monarch. It is a specially made linen paper, quarto size, in two shades—ivory and robin's egg blue—and each sheet, with its envelope, costs about \$1.50.

The Kaiser made the manufacturer promise to supply this paper to nobody but himself. Each sheet is decorated with a gorgeously embossed imperial coat of arms in gold and brilliant colors, surrounded by the chain of the order of the Black Eagle, and the blue ribbon of the Garter. At the back of the shield are two marshal's batons crossed.

For correspondence as King of Prussia the Kaiser uses the same paper, but with the Prussian royal arms instead of the imperial.

Before he adopted this paper, a couple of weeks ago, the Kaiser used a modest looking white handmade paper, octavo size, with a simple "W" surrounded by the imperial crown embossed in one corner. German courtiers with some taste deplore the Emperor's fad as strongly suggesting vulgar ostentation such as one might expect from a freshly ennobled Jewish banker, but entirely incompatible with imperial dignity—but they are careful not to think aloud.

OCCULTISM GRIPS
FAIR PARISIANS

PARIS, March 9.—Occultism of various kinds is taking the place of whatever religion Parisians had. They are since the separation. Curious psychic doctrines are discussed by society people, and the theosophical cult has become fashionable.

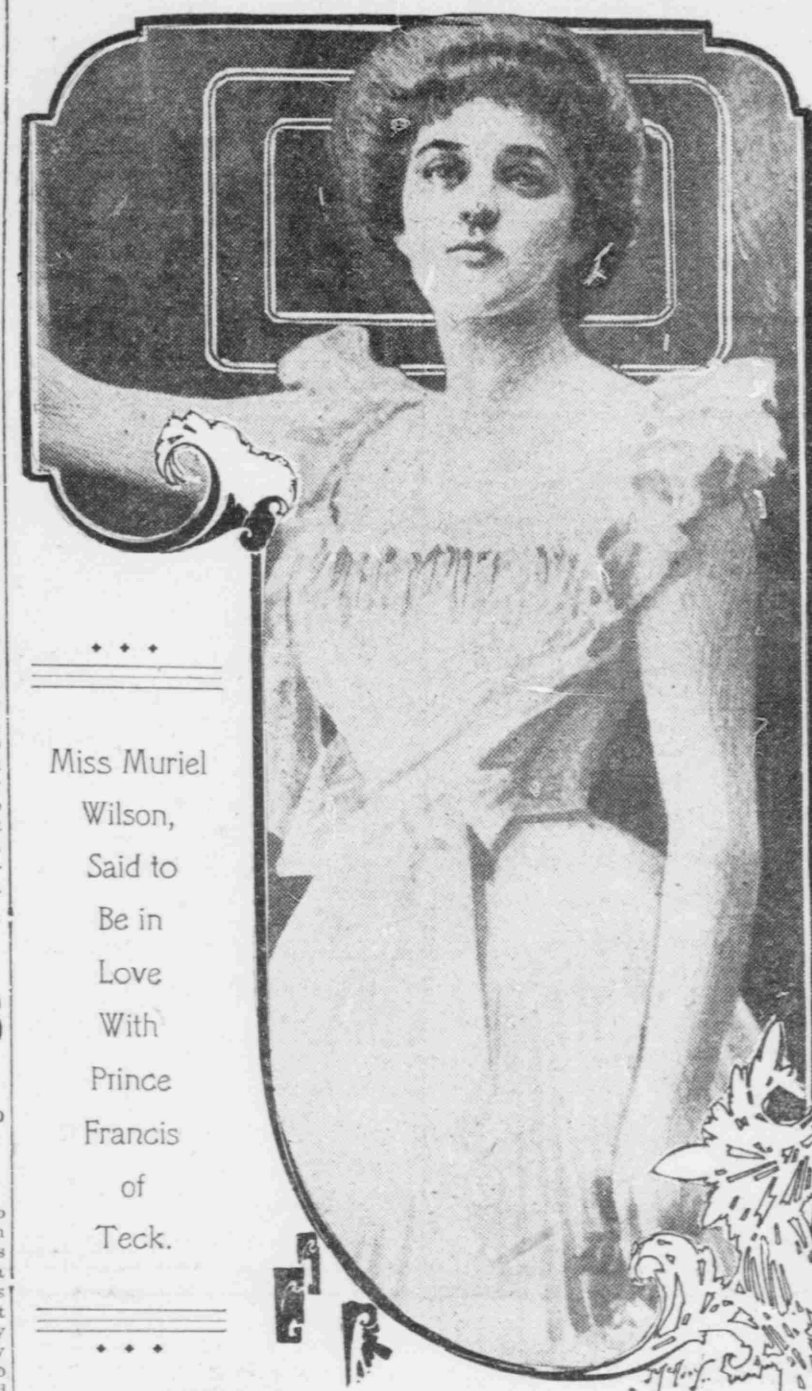
A blend of spiritism and science is very popular, with Dr. Baraduc, a nerve specialist, as its high priest. He has a collection of curious photographs of people's auras, or psychical vibrations. If your nerves are calm, the photo of your aura resembles smooth, peaceful clouds; and if your mind is unsettled, the photograph shows the aura in fantastic, irregular shapes.

Palmyrism, card reading, and indle gazing are popular as forms of drawing room society. Certain women profess to tell a person's destiny by gazing into the flame of a candle which the subject has handled.

Madame de Thebes, the renowned prophetess, has a great clientele of believers in palmyrism. She has read the hands of many European royalties and people of note. She professes to read in the hand whether a child will grow up to a good or evil life, and advises mothers to have their sons' hands read so as to foresee their future. She even suggests that children whose hands show a destiny of crime should be destroyed before they have time to fulfill it.

ABLE ARCTIC ARTIST
PAINTS POLAR PICTURES

LONDON, March 9.—Wonderful pictures of Arctic scenes, painted under terrible conditions of cold and discomfort, are being exhibited at a London gallery. They are the work of the Russian artist Borisoff, who was sent to the polar regions by the Czar, who discovered his genius.

King Wants de Soveral
To Marry Miss WilsonMiss Muriel
Wilson,
Said to
Be in
Love
With
Prince
Francis
of
Teck.WHEN A KING
IS CUPID

King Edward will not hear of Miss Wilson coming into the royal family as the wife of Prince Francis of Teck, but will aid her all he can to land the swarthy Portuguese diplomat, Marquis de Loveral.

PRINCE FRANCIS OF TECK,
Whose Sister Is the Princess of Wales.Name of Famous Society Beauty Again Coupled
With That of Prince Francis of Teck,
Whom She Loves.

LONDON, March 9.—The name of Miss Muriel Wilson, the famous "society beauty," is once more on everyone's lips. For many seasons gossips declared she would never marry because she was jilted as a young girl by the man she loved. Her friends, however, know that the man she would marry tomorrow, if she could, is handsome Prince Francis of Teck, who has been devoted to her for some years.

King Edward will not hear of such a marriage, friendly as he has been with all the Yorkshires. Wilsons. If Prince Francis' sister had not married the Prince of Wales, things might have been different, but the King would not give his sanction to a marriage between a commoner and the brother of England's future queen.

The King, who is an inveterate matchmaker, would like to arrange a marriage between Miss Wilson and the swarthy Marquis de Soveral, the Portuguese minister. Miss Wilson likes de Soveral, but absolutely declines to regard him as a prospective husband. The Marquis is a very wealthy man, and a very witty and amusing companion.

It was remarked at the Carlton restaurant that Mrs. Arthur Wilson was entertaining both Prince Francis and the Marquis de Soveral, and the trio were in high spirits.

IRISH NOBLEMAN
BEATS HIS BRIDE

LONDON, March 9.—There appears to be an epidemic of "separation" among newly married couples. Not long ago it was the Hon. Leopold Canning who deserted his bride, the daughter of Mr. Ruben, the South African millionaire, shortly after their marriage; and now, although desperate attempts have been made to hush the matter up, there is serious trouble between another comparatively newly married couple.

Viscount de Vesel, a young officer in the Irish Guards, married at the age of twenty-five last year a Miss Georgiana Weberley. The young couple went to the country home of the viscount's mother, the Hon. Mrs. Edward Portman, and afterward to the Viscount's home in Ireland.

Here the Viscount behaved in an extraordinary manner. He threatened to beat his bride, and was found one night tearing about the woods in his night attire. His violence so terrified his bride that she locked herself up for days.

The matter was hushed up, but the viscount a few months later broke loose again, and it was then discovered that the young officer had had fits of temporary insanity before his marriage.

Lady De Vesel, after the second attack, refused to live with her husband, and now the young couple, who were really devoted to each other, are separated by thousands of miles. Lord De Vesel is believed to be either in India or Africa.

OVERCOAT OF LOUBET
STOLEN FROM MEETING

PARIS, March 9.—Emile Loubet, former President of the French Republic, has had the misfortune to lose his fur-lined overcoat.

M. Loubet was a speaker at the gathering of Paris University students held to celebrate a grant of 20,000 francs by the legislature for the new students' clubs. At first it was thought that some one had hidden the coat as a practical joke, but the whole building was ransacked without finding the garment.

GERMAN PRINCE
CHEATS WIDOW

PARIS, March 9.—A great sensation has been caused in Paris society by the story of how a German prince of ancient line swindled a widow. Prince von Hanau, who was born on December 8, 1842, is the son of the late Prince Friedrich Wilhelm I, Elector of Hesse. On the death of his father he inherited the castle and estates near Prague, which yielded him an income of over \$5,000 dollars. As the prince, however, had very extravagant tastes, this sum did not suffice, and he contemplated making a rich marriage.

While on a visit to Cologne he met a lady, widow of a commercial man, named Frau Oberman, who was very wealthy. The prince proposed and was accepted, a fact which caused a great deal of talk, as Mrs. Oberman was sixty-four years old. She agreed to give the prince \$300,000 to pay his debts, and this sum was placed at two banks in Prague in the Prince's name.

After having got the money the prince neglected his lady love, and this fact, together with the information that the money was not being used for the purpose specified, caused the widow to break off the engagement and ask for the return of her money. She sent a lawyer to the prince, asking him to refund the money without a law suit, but the Prince refused. It is not yet known whether the money will be returned or whether the case will come before the courts.

FRENCH MANUFACTURERS
FEAR AMERICAN MACHINES

PARIS, March 9.—Les Sports and La Presse have attacked the proposed gold cup tour of American cars through Europe during the coming summer, on the ground that it will prove dangerous to the French industry. It is said even the demands have been made that the tour be prohibited, with the further comment that if American manufacturers want to advertise the capabilities of their cars they should enter the French tests of different kinds or allow French cars to participate in the cup tour.

PARIS LIBRARY
GETS TREASURES

PARIS, March 9.—The director of the Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris, Henry Marcel, has just sent in his annual report to the minister of public education. He sets forth the donations, legacies, and acquisitions made to and by the various departments during the past year. The printed section acquired 3,782 works in foreign tongues, 275 ancient books, 72,500 periodical reviews and newspapers, and 54 geographical publications.

In the manuscript department 337 volumes were acquired, and 240 volumes had been presented to the institution, among the latter being the autograph "Memoirs" of Marshal de Castellane, presented by Madame de Beaulieu, nee de Castellane; sixteen volumes of Breton Mysteries; a volume of Josephus' War on the Jews, and the famous miniature by Jehan Fouquet, which was presented by King Edward VII from the library of Windsor.

In the prints section the gift of Baron de Vinck of 400 rare engravings representing the history of France from 1775 to 1789, was the most notable. Other works acquired were three Russian editions hitherto wanting—"La Conquete de Milan" (8 vols.), 1518; "Le Somme Rural de Foutiller," 1521, and "Horace in Laudem Boettissine," 1541. A book called "Book of Journeys," which was printed at Frankfurt-on-the-Main in 1596, was also added to the collection, as also three bindings "de luxe."

MOTHER OF QUEEN ENA
PLANS SPANISH CASTLE

SAN SEBASTIAN, March 9.—It is rumored here that Princess Henry of Battenberg, mother of the young Queen of Spain, has the intention of spending a great deal of her future time in Spain, and that she has bought an estate on the top of the hills opposite Miramar palace, and that she intends to build a palace for herself there.

The report has caused a great deal of satisfaction, as the Princess is already a popular figure in Spain.

British Baseball Teams
Are Getting Into LineOutlook for America's National Game in England
Is Decidedly Promising—Oxford-Cambridge Game Close at Hand.

LONDON, March 8.—The British baseball teams will soon begin their preparatory work for the season.

Most of the players are association football players and the season for that game is now drawing to a close. The outlook for the American game this summer is exceptionally good, and a much more scientific game than was seen last year may be expected. The British players have practised the American style of pitching, catching, batting, and base running, and have made gratifying strides.

There will, it is said, be double the number of clubs about London than at present, and base running, and have will be limited in other cities.

It is understood that a strong Irish league will be formed in which a number of former Americans will take part.

The big Oxford-Cambridge boat race is close at hand and interest in the annual event is growing more intense.

Great crowds watch the crew at work and the merits of the men are eagerly discussed. The best opinion is that Cambridge has the better crew, but Oxford has a stronger aggregation than she had last year, and even the Cambridge adherents admit that their favorites will have no walkover.

Oxford, while not so powerful as the men of the Cambridge, work better together, row a cleaner stroke, and present a more finished appearance in their boat. It is not impossible they will win.

The news from the States that Beals C. Wright and Raymond D. Little will be on the American lawn tennis team which is to compete for the Dwight Davis trophy has been received with pleasure among English tennis experts.

Both men have played here and have won high esteem as experts of the first rank as sportsmen and personally.

The third member of the American team, Karl H. Behr, is not so well known, but it is acknowledged that if he is up to the level of his two companions, the Americans will have an excellent chance to carry back the cup.

The fight between Delmont, the American featherweight, and Owen Moran, before Beltonson's Club, will be watched with keen interest by the pugilistic world. If Delmont wins, he will be matched against Jim Barker.

Ski-kjor races were the feature of the recent winter carnival on Lake Saint Moritz in the Engadine Alps in Switzerland.

ENABLES DEAF
TO HEAR MUSICDr. Dupont Has Microphone Phonograph
Attachment.

PARIS, March 9.—A great sensation has been caused here by the marvelous discovery of Dr. Marcel Dupont, by which the deaf can be made to hear music. Dr. Dupont was introduced to the Academy of Sciences by Prof. d'Arsonval, who informed that learned assembly of Dr. Dupont's wonderful invention. Dr. Dupont exhibited his apparatus, which consists of a phonograph to which is affixed a microphone, the electric current being derived from the accumulators.

A scale of music is engraved in the cylinder, and when the phonograph sets to work the microphone supplies an alternate electric current, the numbers of the steps of which correspond exactly to the vibrations of the scale of music reproduced from the cylinder by the phonograph. This alternate current may be so regulated at will that it can pass through the human organism, but for that a special appliance is necessary.

If a march or an entire piece of music of any sort is put on the wax cylinder, the alternate electric current produces by its passage through the human organism the exact impression of the musical sounds of the music as given out by the phonograph.

Dr. Dupont does not claim that he can make the born-deaf, who would be, therefore, ignorant of music or its sound, to enjoy music, but he claims that by means of his instrument it is possible to so educate children who were formerly musical and who became deaf to become accomplished musicians, for by the passing of the alternate electric current through the human tissues a deaf person can be taught to distinguish one kind of music from another.

Dr. Dupont says he has practiced on many deaf people, and that he has tried his experiment especially on deaf-mutes, and it is an incontestable fact that they have derived pleasure from the musical current passing through their system.

SEASICKNESS CURE
ACTS UPON BRAIN

PARIS, March 9.—Dr. Plassechon's new invention for the prevention of seasickness is exciting a great deal of interest here. Dr. Plassechon declares that his remedy is infallible, and that he has already tried it with success on himself several times.

He calls it delphinine, and says that his invention acts not on the stomach, as do all remedies for seasickness, but on the brain. The inventor intends to open a dispensary where he will treat all emigrants free of charge for a while, in order to prove that what he claims for his medicine is true.

ALFONSO TO ENTER
FOR KIEL REGATTAThree Royal Spanish Yachts
Will Compete at German Races.

BERLIN, March 9.—The Kiel regatta is to be graced this year by the presence of that keen sportsman, King Alfonso of Spain, who will, of course, take advantage of the event to have various conferences with the Kaiser. His Spanish majesty will go to the German port on board a warship, which during the regatta will remain at Kiel side by side with the German squadron.

The royal Spanish racing yachts Giralda, Mouriscot, and Queen X will be entered for some of the races. The Queen X is the yacht which Alfonso XIII himself named in a spirit of fun some eighteen months ago, when all his courtiers and all the newspapers in Europe were talking about his majesty's matrimonial intentions.

"I will give you the name of my future bride," said the monarch, "and I will name the new yacht which is to be launched in a few days after her."

Expectations ran high and numerous guesses were made as to the personality of the future Queen of Spain, until the popular King disconcerted all the wisecracks by declaring, "I name the yacht Queen X."

Spanish yacht owners, following the royal lead, have entered for some of the races of the Kiel regatta.

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